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AMENDMENTS TO THE 1987 APPROPRIATIONS REQUEST FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

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FROM

THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 1987 FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, PURSUANT TO 31 U.S.C. 1107

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THE WHITE HOUSE,
Washington, July 28, 1986.

THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

SIR: I ask the Congress to consider amendments to the request for appropriations for fiscal year 1987 for the Department of Labor that reduce the request by $1,024,815,000.

The details of these proposals are set forth in the enclosed letter from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget. I concur with his comments and observations.

Respectfully,

RONALD REAGAN.

Enclosures.

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99th Congress, 2nd Session

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

July 28, 1986

The President

The White House

Sir:

I have the honor to submit for your consideration amendments to the request for appropriations for fiscal year 1987 for the Department of Labor that reduce the request by $1,024,815,000.

I have carefully reviewed the proposals contained in this document and am satisfied that these requests are necessary at this time. I recommend, therefore, that these proposals be transmitted to the Congress.

Respectfully,

James C. Miller III
Director

Enclosures

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1987 Budget Appendix Page	Heading	1987 Request Pending	1987 Proposed Amendment	1987 Revised Request
	EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING ADMINISTRATION			
I-P4	Federal unemployment benefits and allowances	$4,000,000	$114,000,000	$118,000,000
	(In the appropriations language under this heading insert and of trade adjustment benefit payments and allowances, as provided by law (part I, subchapter B, chapter 2, title II of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended), after "as amended,".)			

This amendment would provide the funds needed to pay trade readjustment allowances to workers under the Trade Act of 1974, that was extended through 1991 by the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985. Fiscal year 1987 outlays would be increased by $114 million.

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I-P5	State unemployment insurance and employment service operations	23,400,000	language	23,400,000
	(In the appropriation language under this head insert and sections 231-235 and 243-244, title II of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended; after "5 U.S.C. 8501-8523,".)			
I-P6	Advances to the Unemployment Trust Fund and Other Funds	413,000,000	-413,000,000	---
	(Delete the appropriation language under this heading.)			

This proposed language would permit the use of funds to administer payment of Trade Readjustment Allowances under the Trade Adjustment Assistance program. This proposal would not affect outlays.

The provision in the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 waiving interest payments from the Black Lung Disability Trust Fund to the Treasury has eliminated the need for advances to that fund. Unobligated balances at the end of 1986 would be sufficient to make all advances in fiscal year 1987, eliminating the need for any appropriation. This amendment would not affect outlays.

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	EMPLOYMENT STANDARDS ADMINISTRATION			
I-P16	Black Lung Disability Trust Fund	958,689,000	-727,151,000	231,538,000
	(In the appropriation language under the above heading delete "$910,838,000" and insert in lieu thereof $183,687,000; delete "and interest on advances under subsection (c)(2) of section 9501 of the Internal Revenue Code 1954, as amended, as authorized by section 9501(d)(1), (2), (4), and 7 of that Act" and insert in lieu thereof as authorized by section 9501(d)(1), (2), and (7) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended,; and insert Provided, further, That in addition, there are hereby appropriated such amounts as may be necessary			

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	to repay advances from the Treasury that are not needed to make disbursements during the current fiscal year, as authorized by section 950I(d)(4) of that Act: immediately before "Provided further".)			

This amendment reflects primarily the provision of the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 that waived payment of interest on borrowing from the Treasury for fiscal years 1986 through 1991. It also reflects a reduction in estimated black lung benefits in 1986 and 1987 based on recent experience and on the President's decision to limit to 2% the 1987 increase in Federal pay rates, to which black lung benefits are tied. The amendment reflects fiscal year 1987 outlay reductions of $34 million.

BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS

I-P22	Salaries and expenses	159,390,000	1,336,000	160,726,000

This proposal would provide for costs to initiate the reclassification of industrial establishments needed for revision of the Government's Standard Industrial Classification and would increase fiscal year 1987 outlays by $1.2 million.

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